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ICE DEPORTS CONVICTED FELON TO NICARAGUA

Felon's convictions range from strong-armed robbery to resisting arrest

MIAMI- A 23-year-old convicted felon who served a 34-month prison sentence for strong-armed robbery, resisting arrest and battery on a police officer was deported Saturday to his home country of Nicaragua by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention and removal officers.

Carlos Siles-Montoya was granted lawful permanent residency (LPR) status on Feb. 1, 1995. As an aggravated felon, Montoya was placed in removal proceedings for failing to comply with U.S. laws. His residency status was revoked and he was ordered removed by an immigration judge on Nov. 18, 2004.

"Montoya violated the pact that he made with the United States when he broke our laws," said Michael Rozos, Florida's field office director for detention and removal. "ICE will continue to restore integrity to our nation's immigration system by removing convicted felons who break our laws and who pose a threat to our communities."

The Office of Detention and Removal (DRO) focuses on promoting public safety and national security by ensuring that all aliens who are subject to deportation are removed from the United States as expeditiously as possible.

Last year, ICE removed a record setting 160,000 aliens; approximately 53 percent were criminal aliens. ICE's Florida field office has removed 1,617 aliens since the beginning of fiscal year 05; 862 were criminal aliens.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.